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Attention: Examiner A. Farah

Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/296,040
Replacement Formal Drawing
Our reference: 43571-20009.20

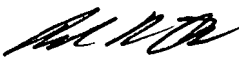
Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a duplicate copy of the replacement formal drawing, which was submitted, to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 14, 2002.

We would appreciate your prompt review of this drawing, as our client is anxious to have this patent issued. It was formally allowed last year. As we have already discussed this replacement formal drawing adds no new matter to the application.

Please do not hesitate to call me at the above-listed number if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,



Richard R. Batt

Enclosure

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Older version of the formal drawings has been replaced. (X) 04/22/02